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SUBJECT: SLOVENIA NOTES SYRIA'S "BAD TRACK RECORD" PRIOR TO
IAEA BOARD VOTE

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(C) On September 22, emboff met with Borut Valencic, advisor in the MFA's Security Policy Division, to urge Slovenia's opposition to Syria and Iran's nominations and support for Afghanistan's candidacy for the IAEA Board of Governors (reftel). Valencic noted Syria's "bad track record," and commented that Slovenia is not "fond" of Syria efforts to get on the Board of Governors. Valencic undertook to pass the information to his colleagues in Vienna prior to the voting.
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